

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 1

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 1

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 1—Relative to federal flood relief.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

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This measure would urge the Federal Highway Administrator to immediately release all of the requested transportation funds for which California is eligible as a result of damage from floods.

WHEREAS, The unprecedented flooding across California has caused the loss of life, destruction of homes, and an unprecedented disruption in the web of neighbors, transportation, commerce, services, and communications that bind communities together; and

WHEREAS, Forty-eight counties in California have qualified for federal disaster relief because of damage caused by the recent flooding; and

WHEREAS, The State of California is entitled to \$100 million in federal emergency relief funds for transportation infrastructure repair for this disaster; and

WHEREAS, California state agencies have already identified well over \$300 million worth of flood-caused transportation damages that are eligible for state and federal funding for urgently needed repairs; and

WHEREAS, California has already requested the release of the \$100 million in federal transportation disaster relief funds of which only \$50 million have been received to date; and

WHEREAS, These moneys are urgently needed to rebuild the lands, lives, and livelihood of thousands of Californians; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature of the State of California strongly urges the Federal Highway Administrator to immediately release all of the requested transportation funds for which California is eligible, so that the flood-ravaged people of California may more speedily recover from their plight; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, and to the Federal Highway Administrator.

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